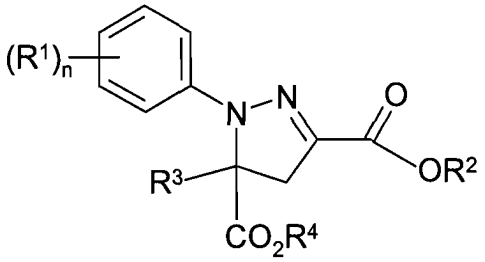
AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows.

In the Claims:

Claims 1-7 (cancelled)

8. (Previously presented) A method for increasing the weed control of one or more aryloxyphenoxypropionate herbicides (A) or an agriculturally acceptable salt thereof, which comprises ~~using a~~ applying, simultaneously with or separate from the application of the herbicides (A), a synergistic herbicidally effective amount of one or more compounds of formula (I) or a salt thereof (compounds (B)):



(I)

in which

$(R^1)_n$ is n radicals R^1 where the R^1 are identical or different and are each halogen or (C_1-C_4)-haloalkyl,

n is an integer from 1 to 3,

R^2 is hydrogen, (C_1-C_6)-alkyl, (C_1-C_4)-alkoxy-(C_1-C_4)-alkyl, (C_3-C_6)-cycloalkyl, tri-(C_1-C_4)-alkyl-silyl or tri-(C_1-C_4)-alkyl-silylmethyl,

R^3 is hydrogen, (C_1-C_6)-alkyl, (C_1-C_6)-haloalkyl, (C_2-C_6)-alkenyl, (C_2-C_6)-alkynyl or (C_3-C_6)-cycloalkyl, and

R^4 is hydrogen or (C_1-C_{12})-alkyl,

to the plants, parts of the plants, seeds of the plants, or the area where the plants are grown or are to be grown.

~~in combination with one or more herbicides (A), wherein the combination of compounds (A) and (B) is defined in claim 1~~

Claims 9 and 10 (cancelled)

11. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein
$(R^1)_n$ is n radicals R^1 where the R^1 are identical or different and are each F, Cl, Br or CF_3, n is 2 or 3, R^2 is hydrogen or $(C_1$-$C_4)$-alkyl,
R^3 is hydrogen, $(C_1$-$C_4)$-alkyl, $(C_2$-$C_4)$-alkenyl or $(C_2$-$C_4)$-alkynyl, and
R^4 is hydrogen or $(C_1$-$C_8)$-alkyl.

12. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl having the chemical name:
ethyl 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-(ethoxycarbonyl)-5-methyl-2-pyrazoline-3-carboxylate.

13. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein one or more compounds (A) are selected from the group consisting of:
clodinafop-propargyl, cyhalofop-butyl diclofop, diclofop-methyl, fenoxaprop-P-ethyl, fenoxaprop-P, fenoxaprop-ethyl, fenoxaprop, fluazifop, fluazifop-butyl, fluazifop-P-butyl, haloxyfop, haloxyfop-etotyl, haloxyfop-P-methyl, propaquizafop, quizalofop, quizalofop-ethyl, quizalofop-P, quizalofop-P-ethyl, and quizalofop-P-tefuryl, and agriculturally acceptable salts of afore-mentioned acidic compounds.

14. (New) The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein one or more compounds (A) are selected from the group consisting of:
clodinafop-propargyl, cyhalofop-butyl diclofop, diclofop-methyl, fenoxaprop-P-ethyl, fenoxaprop-P, fenoxaprop-ethyl, fenoxaprop, fluazifop, fluazifop-butyl, fluazifop-P-butyl, haloxyfop, haloxyfop-etotyl, haloxyfop-P-methyl, propaquizafop, quizalofop, quizalofop-ethyl,

quizalofop-P, quizalofop-P-ethyl, and quizalofop-P-tefuryl, and agriculturally acceptable salts of afore-mentioned acidic compounds.

15. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is fenoxaprop-P-ethyl.

16. (New) The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein compound (A) is fenoxaprop-P-ethyl.

17. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is selected from the group consisting of clodinafop-propargyl, cyhalofop-butyl, diclofop-methyl, fenoxaprop-P-ethyl, fluazifop-butyl, fluazifop-P-butyl, haloxyfop-etotyl, haloxyfop-P-methyl, propaquizafop, quizalofop-ethyl, quizalofop-P-ethyl and quizalofop-P-tefuryl.

18. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is clodinafop-propargyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

19. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is cyhalofop-butyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

20. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is diclofop-methyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

21. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is fenoxaprop-P-ethyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

22. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is fluazifop-butyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

23. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is fluazifop-P-butyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

24. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is haloxyfop-etotyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

25. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is haloxyfop-P-methyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

26. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is propaquizafop and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

27. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is quizalofop-ethyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

28. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is quizalofop-P-ethyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

29. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is quizalofop-P-tefuryl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

30. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein compound (A) is a combination of fenoxaprop-P-ethyl and diclofop-methyl and compound (B) is mefenpyr-diethyl.

31. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the weight ratio of the active compounds (A) and (B) is of from 1:10 to 100:1.

32. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the weight ratio of the active compounds (A) and (B) is of from 1:2 to 20:1.

33. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the weeds are controlled in crops of useful plants.

34. (New) The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the weight ratio of the active compounds (A) and (B) is of from 1:10 to 100:1.

35. (New) The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the weight ratio of the active compounds (A) and (B) is of from 1:2 to 20:1.

36. (New) The method as claimed in claim 15, wherein the weeds are controlled in crops of useful plants.